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BEGIN SUMMARY: WORKING GROUP I HAS COMPLETED ITS FORMAL SESSIONS. INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WILL CONTINUE. PROGRESS WAS SLOWED BY LENGTHY DEBATES OVER PROPOSALS OF INTEREST TO SINGLE COUNTRIES ON WHICH U.S. WAS ABLE MAINTAIN LOW PROFILE. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT GUIDANCE REQUESTED SOONEST ON PARA 5 BELOW. END SUMMARY.

1. WORKING GROUP I COMPLETED ITS FORMAL SESSIONS ON FEB 19. INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS ARE TO CONTINUE IN EFFORT EXPAND FURTHER AREAS OF AGREEMENT (NOTABLY PREAMBLE PARAS
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6BIS AND 4(B) AND CHAPTER III). DRAFTING GROUP MADE LITTLE

PROGRESS FROM THAT REPORTED REFTEL BECAUSE OF CONTROVERSIAL NATURE OF REMAINING PROPOSALS AND FACT SEVERAL OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO SINGLE COUNTRIES. MOST TIME CONSUMING DEBATE WAS BETWEEN BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA ON ENVIRONMENT.

2. AGREEMENTS NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WERE:

A. PREAMBLE

(1) ADD NEW PARA II BIS (OLD II BIS BECOMES II TER)
REAFFIRMING FURTHER THE NEED FOR STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT.

(2) PARA III (C) EARLIER AGREED TEXT SLIGHTLY
MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS: "ENCOURAGEMENT OF COOPERATION, ON THE BASIS OF MUTUAL ADVANTAGE AND EQUITABLE BENEFITS FOR ALL STATES CONCERNED..."

B CHAPTER I

(C) NON AGGRESSION

(C) BIS MUTUAL AND EQUITABLE BENEFIT

(I) BIS NO ATTEMPT TO SEEK HEGEMONY AND SPHERES OF INFLUENCE

3. PRC BECAME ENTANGLED IN LENGTHY DEBATE WITH LDC'S OVER ITS INSISTENCE ON EQUALITY AND MUTUAL ADVANTAGE (IN PREAMBLE PARAS III(:)) AND EQUALITY AND MUTUAL BENEFIT (IN CHAPTER I(C)BIS). LDC ARGUED PRC LANGUAGE MIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECT THEIR CLAIM TO SPECIAL TREATMENT IN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS. LDC'S NOT COMPLETELY SATISFIED WITH COMPROMISE "MUTUAL AND EQUITABLE BENEFIT" BUT DID NOT WISH OFFEND CHINESE. USDEL BELIEVES WORDS SUFFICIENTLY BROAD TO CONFER OUR TRADITIONAL APPROACH ON TRADE MATTERS.

4. SEVERAL OTHER ISSUES CONSUMED TIME OF DRAFTING GROUP. USSR SPENT MUCH TIME DEBATING FRANCE, UK AND GERMANY ON PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE WHICH STILL NOT AGREED. SEVERAL HOURS SPENT ON BRAZIL/ARGENTINA CONTROVERSY ON ENVIRONMENT. SPAIN BECAME EMBROILED IN DEBATE WITH LDC'S OVER CONCEPT OF DEGREES OF DEVELOPMENT. PRC UNABLE ACCEPT CONCEPT OF INTERNATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOR MUCH TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UNHAPPINESS OF LDC'S WHICH CONSIDER CONCEPT AS KEY ISSUE. FACT THAT USDEL WAS ABLE TO AVOID BECOMING EMBROILED IN THESE VARIOUS DEBATES WAS MUCH APPRECIATED BY MEXICAN DEL.

5. RE COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY, (PREAMBLE PARA V)
DESPITE INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS, BRAZIL TABLED TEXT QUOTED PARA 1 GENEVA 759. USDEL EXPLAINED PREFERENCE FOR NO PARA ON THIS CONCEPT WHICH YET TO BE DEFINED BUT IN SPIRIT IN

WHICH DISCUSSIONS BEING CONDUCTED AGREED DISCUSS TEXT.
BRAZIL FIRST REACTED SYMPATHETICALLY TO OUR AMENDMENTS BUT
THEN BEGAN TO ADVOCATE INSERTION OF VAGUE UNDEFINED PARA
WHICH WE FOUND DIFFICULT. FOLLOWING IS TEXT AS EMERGED
FROM DRAFTING GROUP: QUOTE. DETERMINED TO PROMOTE COL-
LECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY (FOR ALL COUNTRIES) (FOR ALL
NATIONS) THROUGH THE CO-OPERATION OF THE ENTIRE INTER-
NATIONAL COMMUNITY, AIMED AT THE ECONOMIC SECURITY OF
EACH STATE, (WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE SUSTAINED
DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE ECONOMIES OF ALL COUNTRIES).
UNQUOTE.

YUGOSLAVIA OBJECTED TO REFERENCE TO ALL COUNTRIES SO
PHRASE PUT IN BRACKETS. USSR WANTED SENTENCE END AFTER
EACH STATE SO FINAL CLAUSE BRACKETED. WHILE WE WOULD
PREFER DEFERRING DECISION ON THIS PARA UNTIL NEXT SESSION,
BELIEVE FOREGOING WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE. WE WOULD PREFER
SEE ALL COUNTRIES RETAINED AND LAST PHRASE ELIMINATED
PLEASE ADVISE.

6. AGREED TEXTS HAVE NOT BEEN REACHED ON FOLLOWING:
PREAMBLE IV(A) AND (B), V, VIBIS AND TRANSITIONAL PARA-
GRAPH; CHAPTER I(E) AND (K); CHAPTER III.

7. COMMENTS ON CHAPTER III (SEABEDS AND ENVIRONMENT)
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